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Listing of Claims:

Please amend the claims as follows:

Claim 1 (Cancelled)

Claim 2 (Cancelled)

Claim 3 (Currently Amended) The A polynucleotide of claim 1 which encodes encoding the a polypeptide comprising the amino acid sequence of SEQ ID NO:2.

Claim 4 (Canceled)

Claim 5 (Currently Amended) The polynucleotide of claim 3 4, comprising the nucleotide sequence as set forth in SEQ ID NO:1.

Claim 6 (Canceled)

Claim 7 (Canceled)

Claim 8 (Canceled)

Claim 9 (Canceled)

Claim 10 (Canceled)

Claim 11 (Canceled)

Claim 12 (Canceled)

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Claim 17 (Canceled)

Claim 18 (Canceled)

Claim 19 (Canceled)

Claim 20 (Currently Amended) The polynucleotide of claim 3 1, which encodes encoding a polypeptide comprising amino acid residues 1-144 of SEQ ID NO: 2.

Claim 21 (Cancelled)

Claim 22 (Cancelled)

Claim 23 (Cancelled)

Claim 24 (Cancelled)